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In re application of:

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DRIVE OPERATION TIME

Customer No.: 20350

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2007, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.